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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: THY CRASHES

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1. THY F-28 IZMIR CRASH. TURKISH DCA GUNDUZ GUNGEN ASKED US TO DETERMINE STATUS NTSB READOUT AND EVALUATION OF FLIGHT RECORDER FROM THY F-28 WHICH CRASHED IN IZMIR ON JANUARY 26. GUNGEN'S DEPUTY, ASRI AY, WHO HAS JUST RETURNED FROM VISIT TO U.S., INCLUDING CALL ON NTSB, HAS INFORMED HIM THIS WORK COMPLETED. DURING RECENT WEEKS GUNGEN HAS PRIVATELY EXPRESSED SOME DOUBTS CONCERNING STABILITY F-28 -- DOUBTS WHICH WE UNDERSTAND ARE ALSO SHARED BY MANY THY PILOTS. HE TOLD VISITING FAA TEAM AT MARCH 28 MEETING IN ANKARA THAT ADDITIONAL F-28S WILL NOT BE ORDERED. WE SUSPECT HE IS ANXIOUS TO MAKE DECISION CONCERNING REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT, AND IS LOOKING FOR BASIS ON WHICH TO RECOMMEND AGAINST FURTHER F-28 PURCHASES. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE STATUS REPORT READOUT AND EVALUATION WHICH WE CAN PASS ON TO GUNGEN.

2. DC-10 PARIS CRASH. ON APRIL 2 TURKISH DAILIES CUMHURRIYET,
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QUOTING "FOREIGN NEWS SERVICES", AND GUNAYDIN CARRIED ALMOST

IDENTICAL STORIES "IMPROPER COOPERATION" BETWEEN FORMER FAA
ADMINISTRATOR, JOHN H. SHAFFER, MCDONNEL DOUGLAS, AND THE
ADMINISTRATION RESULTING IN CERTIFICATION OF DC-10. STORIES ALSO
ASSERT THAT AS RESULT SUITS ARE BEING BROUGHT AGAINST
MCDONNELL DOUGLAS AND U.S. GOVERNMENT. GUNGEN IN BRIEF CON-
VERSATION WITH EMBOFF ON APRIL 2 REFERRED
TO THESE STORIES, ADDING IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR HIM TO HAVE
SUMMARIES U.S. CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON DC-10 TO COUNTER ANY
INACCURATE STORIES WHICH MAY SURFACE IN TURKISH PRESS. HE ALSO
ASKED FOR READOUT AND EVALUATION RECORDERS FROM THY DC-10.
ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE CONGRESSIONAL
RECORD OR OTHER SUMMARY ACCOUNTS CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS
CONCERNING THY DC-10 CRASH, IF AVAILABLE, AND STATUS REPORT
READOUT AND EVALUATION THY DC-10 RECORDERS.
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